

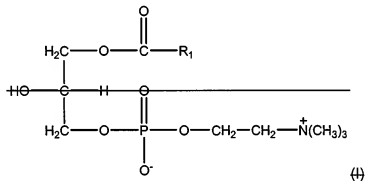
## LISTING OF CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application:

1-35. (Canceled)

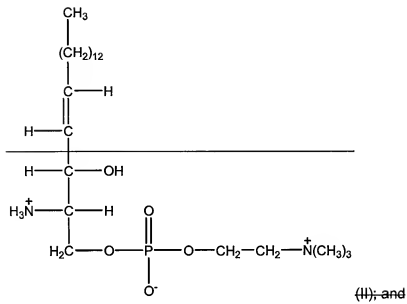
36. (Currently Amended) A method for treating sepsis or septic shock comprising administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound selected from the group consisting of 18:0 LPC (1-stearoyl lysophosphatidylcholine), 18:1 LPC (1-oleoyl lysophosphatidylcholine), 14:0 LPC (1-myristoyl lysophosphatidylcholine), 16:0 LPC (1-palmitoyl lysophosphatidylcholine) and SPC (sphingosylphosphorylcholine).:

a) lysophosphatidylcholine (LPC) represented by the following formula I:

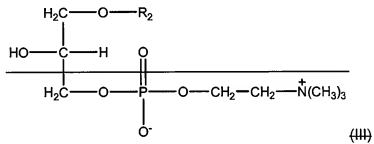


wherein  $\text{R}_1$  is an alkyl of  $\text{C}_{13-20}$  or an alkenyl of  $\text{C}_{13-20}$  having one or more double bonds;

b) sphingosylphosphorylcholine (SPC) represented by the following formula II:



- c) ether derivatives of lysophosphatidylcholine (LPC) represented by the following formula III:



wherein  $\text{R}_2$  is an alkyl of  $\text{C}_{13-20, 4-30}$  or an alkenyl of  $\text{C}_{13-20, 4-30}$  having one or more double bonds.

- 37. (Canceled)
- 38. (Canceled)
- 39. (New) The method of claim 36, wherein the effective amount of the compound is from 0.01 to 100 mg per kg of body weight of the subject in need thereof.